

I have become increasingly concerned about the usage of public airwaves for corporate gain, as well as the increasing corporate consolidation of TV and Radio ownership. This is a trend that will not serve America well, regardless of your political persuasion.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to require their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. I am deeply concerned about this trend. A democracy is based on a truly free, uncensored press and this trend toward corporate best interests overriding public best interests must end now.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than vague public interest comments. There needs to be real accountability, unbiased information is a cornerstone of a successful democracy.

Thank you for your consideration.